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To the Chairman and Members of the Hartley Wintney Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present for your information and consideration the Annual Report for the year, 1967, prepared according to the directions of the Minister of Health.

Points of note in the vital statistical figures are a marked increase in the estimated mid-year population, decrease in the birth rate, the death rate and also the infant and still-birth rates.

The birth rate of 22.7 per thousand of the population is well below the rate for the previous year but considerably higher than the national rate of 17.2. The district birth rate has shown an interesting variation over the past ten years as can be seen in the following table :-

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Number of Births</u> | <u>Standardised Birth Rate</u> | <u>National Birth Rate</u> |
|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1958 | 395 | 17.43 | 16.4 |
| 1959 | 400 | 17.21 | 16.5 |
| 1960 | 415 | 16.79 | 17.1 |
| 1961 | 425 | 18.23 | 17.4 |
| 1962 | 535 | 17.07 | 18.0 |
| 1963 | 608 | 23.26 | 18.2 |
| 1964 | 640 | 21.47 | 18.4 |
| 1965 | 694 | 19.06 | 18.1 |
| 1966 | 797 | 26.04 | 17.7 |
| 1967 | 755 | 22.7 | 17.2 |

In December the South-West Metropolitan Regional Board approved proposals for the new district hospital at Frimley Park to serve Farnborough, Aldershot, Fleet, Frimley, Camberley, Farnham and their neighbourhoods. The hospital is planned to provide a total of about 550 beds and to be ready for use by 1972. The wards for acute patients are being designed to enable a consistently high occupancy rate to be maintained with a quick turnover, early discharge and close liaison with the family general practitioner, thus ensuring that the bed accommodation will be adequate for the anticipated population of the area to be served by the new hospital.

As in previous years the routine work of protecting young children against the preventable disease of smallpox, diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and poliomyelitis continued to be carried out and thanks are due to the private medical practitioners for their help in this connection.

I am grateful to the Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee for their encouragement and help, to Mr. Hill, Clerk of the Council, to Mr. Davies, Chief Public Health Inspector and the staff of the Health Department for their ready assistance enabling me to carry out my duties.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

J. COUTTS MILNE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

August, 1968.

DEATHS

| | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>1966</u> | <u>1965</u> |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Deaths from all causes..... | 133 | 152 | 285 | 318 | 293 |
| Death rate per 1,000 population (Crude)..... | | | 8.05 | 10.41 | 9.91 |
| Ditto (Standardised)..... | | | 8.67 | 8.95 | 9.91 |
| England and Wales..... | | | 11.02 | 11.07 | 11.05 |

Maternal Deaths

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|
| From all causes..... | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| National maternity mortality rate | | | 0.20 | | |

Deaths of Infants Under 1 Year

| | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|---|-------|-------|-------|
| Legitimate..... | 5 | 5 | 10 | 12 | 9 |
| Illegitimate..... | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - |
| Rate per 1,000 total live births | | | 15 | 16.03 | 14.04 |
| Rate for England and Wales..... | | | 18.03 | 19.08 | 19.00 |

Deaths of Infants Under 4 Weeks of Age

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate..... | 1 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 7 |
| Illegitimate..... | - | - | - | 1 | - |

Deaths of Infants Under 1 Week of Age

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate..... | 1 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 6 |
| Illegitimate..... | - | - | - | 1 | - |

There were 11 deaths of infants under one year of age compared with 13 the previous year.

| <u>Cause of Death</u> | <u>Number of deaths</u> | <u>Under one day</u> | <u>1 - 7 days</u> | <u>1 - 4 weeks</u> | <u>4 weeks and under 1 year</u> |
|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| Prematurity..... | 4 | 3 | 1 | - | - |
| Respiratory Infection. | 4 | - | - | - | 4 |
| Whooping Cough..... | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |
| Leukaemia..... | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |
| Status Epilepticus.... | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |

| <u>Still-Births</u> | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>1966</u> | <u>1965</u> |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Legitimate..... | 6 | 2 | 8 | 11 | 4 |
| Illegitimate..... | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Rate per 1,000 total live and still-births.... | | | 12 | 14.8 | 5.7 |
| Rate for England and Wales..... | | | 14.8 | 15.4 | 15.7 |

| <u>Analysis of Causes of Death</u> | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>1966</u> | <u>1965</u> |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Whooping Cough..... | - | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| T. B. Respiratory..... | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| T. B. Other..... | - | - | - | 1 | - |
| Syphilitic disease..... | - | - | - | 1 | - |
| Other infectious and parasitic diseases... | - | - | - | - | 1 |

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| <u>Analysis of Causes of Death</u> | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>1966</u> | <u>1965</u> |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Cancer - Stomach..... | 3 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| Lungs..... | 13 | 2 | 15 | 14 | 15 |
| Breast..... | - | 5 | 5 | 6 | 10 |
| Uterus..... | - | 4 | 4 | 3 | - |
| Other malignant diseases..... | 14 | 14 | 28 | 34 | 28 |
| Leukaemia..... | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 3 |
| Diabetes..... | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 2 |
| Vascular lesions of the nervous system.. | 19 | 32 | 51 | 36 | 34 |
| Coronary disease..... | 27 | 15 | 42 | 50 | 66 |
| Hypertension..... | 1 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 2 |
| Other heart disease..... | 12 | 20 | 32 | 36 | 46 |
| Other circulatory disease..... | 2 | 5 | 7 | 12 | 18 |
| Influenza..... | - | - | - | 29 | - |
| Pneumonia..... | 5 | 13 | 18 | 25 | 9 |
| Bronchitis..... | 12 | 4 | 16 | 12 | 11 |
| Other diseases of the respiratory system.... | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| Ulcers of stomach and duodenum.. | 2 | - | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Gastritis and Enteritis..... | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Nephritis and Nephrosis..... | - | 3 | 3 | - | 1 |
| Hyperplasia of Prostate..... | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | - |
| Pregnancy, childbirth and abortion | - | - | - | - | - |
| Congenital malformation..... | - | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Other defined and ill-defined diseases.. | 5 | 18 | 23 | 25 | 26 |
| Motor vehicle accidents..... | 10 | 2 | 12 | 9 | 6 |
| All other accidents..... | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| Suicide..... | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 |
| | <u>133</u> | <u>152</u> | <u>285</u> | <u>318</u> | <u>293</u> |

Causes of Deaths

The commonest causes of death are shown in the table below together with the corresponding figures for the five year period 1961 - 1965 :-

| | 1967 | | 1961-1965 | |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| | <u>Number</u> | <u>Percentage of Total</u> | <u>Number</u> | <u>Percentage of Total</u> |
| Total deaths..... | 285 | 100 | 1,480 | 100 |
| Diseases of heart and circulatory system..... | 86 | 30 | 596 | 40 |
| Cancer..... | 58 | 20 | 238 | 16 |
| Vascular lesions of nervous system..... | 51 | 17.8 | 201 | 13.6 |
| Respiratory disease other than tuberculosis..... | 36 | 12.6 | 153 | 10.3 |

The trend of mortality has general remained the same over the past seven years but in 1967 deaths from disease of the heart and circulatory system showed a decrease and deaths from cancer, vascular lesions of the nervous system and respiratory disease showed an increase as compared with the average annual number over the five year period of 1961 - 1965.

Road accidents accounted for 12 deaths compared with nine the previous year. Deaths from road accidents among residents of the neighbouring towns of Farnborough and Fleet accounted for four deaths and one death respectively. It is tempting to say that the higher number of deaths in the Rural District is related to the fact that the A 30 road passes through the district but information is lacking in the death returns regarding the place where accidents occur.

NOTIFIABLE AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES

General

Measles epidemics in general occur every two years and the increase in the number of cases which occurred in the last quarter of 1966 rose to a peak in the first quarter of 1967, when some two thirds of the cases were notified. Fifteen cases were in children under one year of age.

It is gratifying to be able to record that the Ministry of Health has accepted in principle a recommendation by the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation that vaccination against measles should be offered to all children who have not been protected either by previous immunisation or by an attack of the natural disease. It is hoped that implementation of this recommendation will begin well before the Autumn of 1968 when the next epidemic of measles can be expected.

A food poisoning outbreak of special interest occurred in June when 13 local residents who attended a cocktail party for 60 people became infected with Salmonella Typhi Murium phage type 2314. Guests came from different places throughout the Country and the Medical Officers of Health concerned were informed of the outbreak. The food for the party was obtained direct from a London catering firm on the morning of the party. Two other current outbreaks of food poisoning in London were also associated with this particular firm, whose reputation was said to be of the highest, their standard of hygiene good and their staff proved negative following tests. However, it was established that the mayonnaise that was made up in bulk by the firm was distributed to all three parties and was proved to contain Salmonella Typhi Murium phage type 2314 which apparently had been associated with previous outbreaks due to hens eggs. The bacteriologists were quite satisfied that this outbreak was in fact due to hens eggs.

| <u>NOTIFICATIONS</u> | <u>1967</u> | <u>1966</u> | <u>1965</u> |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| T.B. Pulmonary..... | 4 | 6 | 1 |
| T.B. Non-Pulmonary..... | - | 1 | - |
| Dysentery..... | 1 | 8 | 2 |
| Food Poisoning..... | 4 | 1 | 8 |
| Scarlet Fever..... | 6 | 5 | 19 |
| Erysipelas..... | 5 | - | 2 |
| Pneumonia..... | - | - | 1 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia..... | 1 | - | - |
| Whooping Cough..... | 3 | - | 3 |
| Meningococcal Infection..... | - | - | 1 |
| Poliomyelitis (Corrected)..... | - | - | - |
| Poliomyelitis (Paralytic)..... | - | - | - |
| Poliomyelitis (Non-Paralytic)..... | - | - | - |
| Measles..... | 817 | 80 | 493 |
| Malaria..... | - | - | - |
| | <u>841</u> | <u>101</u> | <u>530</u> |

Tuberculosis

Four new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis were notified during the year as compared with six in 1966 and one in 1965.

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION PROCEDURES

General

The immunisation of children against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus and of their vaccination against poliomyelitis and smallpox continued to be a major concern of the Health Department. Re-inforcing doses of vaccine were offered to children attending the infant and junior schools.

It needs to be remembered that the absence of serious infectious diseases should not be allowed to lull us into an attitude of complacency and there is still need to raise the rates of immunisation as near to 100 per cent as possible. Re-reinforcement of immunity is essential in most of these diseases. No changes in the routine immunisation procedures were recommended by the Ministry of Health during the year.

The following antigens are kept in stock :-

- (1) Triple antigen for primary immunisation against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus.
- (2) Alum precipitated diphtheria toxoid for primary or reinforcing doses.
- (3) Combined Diphtheria/Tetanus alum precipitated toxoid for immunising children to whom the administration of whooping cough vaccine is considered unnecessary or undesirable.
- (4) Oral poliomyelitis vaccine.

The following table shows the number immunised during the year :-

| Number of Children who completed a course of primary immunisations and who received re-inforcing injections | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---|----------------|-----|------------------------|-----|-----------|---|
| Year of Birth | Diphtheria Only | | Triple Antigen | | Diphtheria and Tetanus | | Quadrulin | |
| | P | B | P | B | P | B | P | B |
| 1967..... | - | - | 297 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1966..... | - | - | 388 | 46 | - | 1 | - | - |
| 1965..... | - | - | 19 | 110 | 1 | 3 | - | - |
| 1964..... | - | - | 5 | 25 | - | 2 | - | - |
| 1963 - 1960... | - | 5 | 27 | 206 | 4 | 181 | - | - |
| Under 16..... | - | - | 18 | 47 | 7 | 244 | - | - |
| TOTALS..... | - | 5 | 754 | 434 | 12 | 431 | - | - |

P = Primary

B = Booster

The following table shows the number of persons vaccinated against poliomyelitis during 1967 :-

| AGE GROUP | ORAL VACCINE |
|------------------|--------------|
| 1967..... | 261 |
| 1966..... | 452 |
| 1965..... | 46 |
| 1964..... | 17 |
| 1963 - 1960..... | 404 |
| Under 16..... | 160 |
| TOTALS..... | 1,340 |

Vaccination against Smallpox

During the year a change was made in the arrangements for distribution of smallpox vaccine (Ministry of Health Circular 6/67 refers). From the 12th June, 1967, the Public Health Laboratory Service no longer distributed supplies of smallpox vaccine to hospitals and general practitioners and this vaccine is now distributed from the office of the County Medical Officer, Winchester. A new edition of the Ministry of Health memorandum on vaccination against smallpox was published in late 1967, replacing the previous 1962 edition. The principal changes are (a) description of the new presentation of vaccine in plastic tubing; (b) inclusion of pregnancy (at any stage) and leukaemia among the contra indications to routine vaccination; (c) recommendation to inspect the site of vaccination on or about the seventh day irrespective of the previous vaccination history, (d) complete revision of the paragraphs on the inspection and recording of results.

The following table gives details of the age groups vaccinated during the year :-

| Age at which vaccinated | Primary | Re-vaccination |
|-------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Under one year..... | 38 | - |
| One year..... | 474 | - |
| 2 - 4..... | 74 | 14 |
| 5 - 15..... | 12 | 56 |
| TOTALS..... | 598 | 70 |

GENERAL HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

Home Help Service

Figures for Hartley Wintney district are no longer available but the number of cases dealt with in the Fleet and Hartley Wintney districts during the year ended 31st December, 1967, are as follows :-

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------|
| Maternity..... | 58 |
| Emergency Sickness..... | 18 |
| Post Hospital..... | 14 |
| Child Care..... | 5 |
| Mentally Disordered..... | - |
| Chronic Sickness..... | 22 |
| Aged Sick and Infirm (65 years and over)..... | 152 |
| Special..... | - |
| | <u>269</u> |

The Home Help Organiser is Mrs. P. M. Roberts, 107 Fleet Road, Fleet. (Telephone Fleet 6513)

National Assistance Acts, 1948 and 1951 - Section 47

No action was called for under this section.

Infectious Diseases

The nearest Infectious Diseases Hospital is the Northfields Isolation Hospital, Redan Road, Aldershot, (Telephone Aldershot 21365), to which cases of Infectious Diseases are sent.

Ambulance Service

Hartley Wintney is a sub-station with one ambulance controlled from the main station at Laburnum Road, Aldershot. Enquiries should be made to the Area Superintendent, (Telephone Aldershot 22244) between 8.00 a.m. - 6.00 p.m. Monday to Friday, 8.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon Saturday. At other times it is necessary to telephone the Central control in Winchester (Telephone Winchester 61644)

Professional Nursing in the Home and Domiciliary Midwifery

| <u>District Served</u> | <u>Name and Address of Nurse</u> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Attached to Drs Singer and Partners - mainly in Yateley itself. | Mrs. K. A. Carroll, 20 Farm View, Yateley, Near Camberley, Surrey. (Telephone Yateley 2258) |
| Covers Parkhill, Frogmore, East Green Estates; Darby Green and remainder of unattached work in Yateley. | Mrs. M. P. Devereux, 137 College Road, College Town, Camberley, Surrey. (Telephone Camberley 23833) |
| Bramshill, Hartley Wintney, Elvetham, Winchfield, Heckfield, Mattingley, Riseley, Rotherwick, Hazeley Heath and Bottom, West Green. | Mrs. S. N. Griff-Preston, 1 Hound Green Close, Mattingley, Near Basingstoke, Hants. (Telephone Heckfield 354) |
| Hook, Newnham, Nateley Scures and Murrell Green. | Mrs. E. J. Brown, 1 Cedar Cottage, Greywell, Near Basingstoke, Hants. (Telephone Odiham 3272) |

| <u>District Served (continued)</u> | <u>Name and Address of Nurse</u> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| All unattached work on Hawley side of A30 and all Kingsway Estate. Also covers Eversley. | Mrs. C. H. Christie, Rosina Cottage, Crowthorne Road, Crowthorne, Berks. (Telephone Crowthorne 2086) |
| Odiham, Greywell, North Warnborough. | Miss M. A. Neal, No. 1 Nurses' Flats, Queens Road, North Warnborough, Near Basingstoke, Hants. (Telephone Odiham 29) |
| <u>Health Visitors for the District</u> | |
| Crondall - Attached to Group Practice of Drs. Tilly, Robinson, Winchurch of Fleet. | Miss D. L. Heath, 69 Weston Road, Woodbridge Hill, Guildford, Surrey. |
| Odiham, Hook, Hartley Wintney, Winchfield, Greywell, Dogmersfield, Hartfordbridge. | Miss M. Phillpot, 10 Queens Road, North Warnborough, Near Basingstoke, Hants. (Telephone Odiham 2189) |
| Fleet - South of Canal (except Courtmoor Estate) Church Crookham. | Mrs. Z. E. M. Collyer, 61 Ferndale Road, Church Crookham, Near Aldershot, Hants. (Telephone Fleet 5655) |
| Blackwater and Yateley, attached to Drs. Singer, France and Walker. | Mrs. P. McKinney, "Chiltern", Vigo Lane, Yateley, Near Camberley, Surrey. (Telephone Yateley 2103) |
| Attached to Drs. J. Price, Evans and Henley, Blackwater. | Miss J. Beresford, No. 2 Nurses' Flats, Queen's Road, North Warnborough, Near Basingstoke, Hants. (Telephone Odiham 3129) |
| Covers work in Yateley, Eversley and Hawley. (part-time only) | Miss F. M. McNeal, The Flat, High Portisbury, London Road, Camberley, Surrey. (Telephone Camberley 23765) |

Hospital Services

There are three hospitals in the district.

- (1) Odiham Cottage Hospital (Winchester Group)
(8 beds and 1 cot including 1 private ward)
- (2) Yateley and District Hospital (Farnham Group)
(14 beds and 1 private ward)
- (3) Winchfield Hospital (Farnham Group)
(This is a hospital of 166 beds, mostly for chronic sick patients)

Chest Clinics

- (1) Northfields Hospital, Redan Road, Aldershot

Monday

9.15 a.m. - Old Patients.
11.00 a.m. - New Patients.

2nd Monday every month
One Monday every month
One Monday every month

(p.m. { - Special Bronchitis Clinic
 - B.C.G. Session
 - Post B.C.G. Session

Chest Clinics (continued)

Tuesday

1.30 p.m. -- 3.00 p.m.

- Old and New Contacts.
Old Patients.
Urgent New Patients.

Wednesday

1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesday
every month at Fleet
Hospital.

- Old and New Patients.

Thursday

9.15 a.m.

- Old Patients and Urgent
New Patients.

(2) Basingstoke General Hospital, Hackwood Road, Basingstoke

Tuesday

10.00 a.m.

- All patients.

Friday

10.00 a.m.

- Old patients.

2.00 p.m.

- New patients.

Special Clinics

(1) Aldershot General Hospital, St. George's Road, Aldershot

Males - Wednesday 5.00 p.m. - 7.00 p.m.

Females - Monday 10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Wednesday 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.

(2) Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester
Out Patient Annexe

Females - Monday 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.

Males - Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon.

Speech Clinics

School Speech Clinics are held at Aldershot and Basingstoke.

Aldershot

The School Clinic,
St. George's Road East.

- Mondays, Tuesdays
and Wednesdays.
Fridays p.m.

Basingstoke

Brambly's Grange Health
Clinic.

- Mondays, Tuesdays
and Thursdays.

Eye Clinics

These are a Regional Hospital Board responsibility administered through the County Council. They are held at the Aldershot General Hospital and Brambly's Grange Health Clinic, Basingstoke, by appointment.

Laboratory Service

The service for this area is normally the Public Health Laboratory, Royal Hants County Hospital, Winchester, (Telephone Winchester 3807). Dr. M. H. Hughes is the Director. All types of bacteriological examinations are done. Chemical analysis of water is carried out by the Public Analyst at Reading.

Child Welfare Centres

Day held (2.00 p.m.)

| | | |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Church Crookham. | Elizabeth War Memorial Hall, Sandy Lane. | Every Monday (A.C.M.O.) Every Friday - 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. only (1st and 3rd Fridays A.C.M.O.) |
| Eversley. | Village Hall. | 1st Tuesday. |
| Frogmore. | Darby Green and Frogmore Social Hall, Frogmore Road, Blackwater. | Every Wednesday. (1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th A.C.M.O.) |
| Hartley Wintney. | Edward Hall. | 1st and 3rd Thursdays. |
| Hawley. | Memorial Hall. | 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. (A.C.M.O. each session) |
| Hook. | Elizabeth Hall. | 1st Tuesday. 2nd and 4th Thursdays. |
| Odiham. | (1) The Church Centre, High Street. | 2nd Friday (2.30-3.30) 4th Friday. |
| | (2) Family Services Building, R.A.F. | 1st and 3rd Mondays. (A.C.M.O. each session) |
| Yateley. | (1) W.I. Hut, Reading Road. | Every Thursday. (A.C.M.O. 2nd and 4th) |
| | (2) The Surgery. | Every Tuesday. (Dr. Singer) |

Orthopaedic Clinics

A Surgeon's Clinic administered by the Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital, Alton, is held at the School Clinic, St. George's Road East, Aldershot, as required. Remedial Clinics are held at the Aldershot General Hospital.

Surgeons and Remedial Clinics are also held at Basingstoke General Hospital, Hackwood Road, Basingstoke. Attendance at these clinics are by appointment from the respective Hospital.

Dental Treatment

All expectant and nursing mothers and pre-school children may receive a dental inspection and treatment on application. All school children are examined regularly by the County Dental Officer and treatment is carried out in the mobile dental clinics at schools in the area, attendance by appointment only.

Any cases requiring emergency treatment can also be seen at either the Dental Clinic, St. George's Road East, Aldershot, (Telephone Aldershot 24104) or Bramblys Grange, Health Clinic, Basingstoke, (Telephone Basingstoke 21877) or the Dental Clinic attached to the Courtmoor Secondary School, Fleet, (Telephone Fleet 6363)

Child Guidance

Clinics are held by appointment only at :-

- (1) Manor House Health Clinic, - Every Friday and alternate
Manor Park, Aldershot. Mondays all day.
- (2) Brambly's Grange Health - Every Tuesday all day and
Clinic, Basingstoke. alternate Monday afternoons.

Family Planning Association

Clinics are held at Manor Park, Aldershot, on every Friday from 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.; at Brambly's Grange Health Centre, Basingstoke, every Friday at 1.30 p.m. - 3.30 p.m. and 2nd and 4th Fridays from 5.30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

The climate of the district is indicated by the following figures :-

| Month 1967 | Day C | Max. F | Night C | Min. F | Rainfall mm | Sunshine Hours | Average After- noon Humidity % |
|---------------|----------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| January | 7.1 | 45.0 | 1.5 | 34.7 | 59.0 | 60.7 | 80 |
| February | 9.1 | 48.4 | 1.8 | 35.2 | 66.3 | 91.5 | 74 |
| March | 11.3 | 52.3 | 3.2 | 37.7 | 61.3 | 169.3 | 64 |
| April | 12.2 | 53.9 | 3.6 | 38.5 | 43.1 | 135.8 | 62 |
| May | 15.3 | 59.5 | 7.0 | 44.6 | 107.3 | 194.5 | 68 |
| June | 19.7 | 67.5 | 9.1 | 48.4 | 47.7 | 231.8 | 62 |
| July | 22.9 | 73.2 | 12.5 | 54.5 | 46.3 | 266.4 | 60 |
| August | 21.0 | 69.8 | 11.8 | 53.3 | 64.6 | 183.4 | 63 |
| September | 17.8 | 64.1 | 10.4 | 50.7 | 59.5 | 110.0 | } Not Avail- able |
| October | 14.6 | 58.3 | 8.3 | 46.9 | 130.6 | 106.7 | |
| November | 9.3 | 48.8 | 1.9 | 35.5 | 43.7 | 74.0 | |
| December | 7.1 | 44.8 | 0.0 | 32.0 | 66.0 | 58.2 | |

The Engineer and Surveyor has kindly supplied the following information :-

Permanent Houses completed in 1967

Council Houses..... 18
Private Houses..... 367
Conversions..... -

Houses under Construction 1.1.68

Council Houses..... 16
Private Houses..... 876

Post War Houses erected in District

Council Houses to end of 1967.....1,467
Private Houses.....3,516
Units of accommodation produced by
conversion..... 111

HARTLEY WINTNEY
RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR 1967

(GENERAL AND WET SCAVENGING SERVICES)
(to 31ST MARCH, 1968)

Public Health Department,
Council Offices,
Hartley Wintney,
Hants.

D. J. DAVIES, M.A.P.H.I.,
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I submit my annual report for 1967, including the refuse collection and wet scavenging services statistics to 31st March, 1968.

The general work of maintaining the environmental hygiene standards of the district has continued during the year and 100 per cent meat inspection of animals at the slaughterhouse has again been carried out.

The two principal Acts of Parliament affecting the department were :-

Civic Amenities Act, 1967,

Slaughter of Poultry Act, 1967.

The first of these laid certain duties on local authorities the most important relating to the provision of tips for private persons to dispose of unwanted rubbish and the removal of abandoned and derelict vehicles. The second Act is designed to ensure the registration of premises where poultry is slaughtered for human consumption.

The major event in the field of refuse collection was the publication of the Working Party Report on Refuse Collection. The Council's service compares favourably with most of the recommendations except that only a "kerbside" collection is operated and no storage containers are provided. A great deal of research was done towards instituting a paper sack system in the district to comply with these recommendations and in fact the Council decided to implement this improved service during the current year. The economic conditions at the end of 1967, however, precluded the additional expenditure and the scheme has had to be deferred. The greatest problem continues to be the recruitment and retention of labour and during the year there was a turnover of 14 employees or 50 per cent of staff.

The question of refuse disposal is becoming of increasing importance throughout the country particularly in those areas where there is limited land left for controlled tipping. The Council have agreed to participate in a Working Party for North Hampshire and West Surrey to investigate the future resources of the area. In order to assist a neighbouring authority the Fleet Urban District Council commenced tipping in this district on 1st April, 1968.

Finally I should like to express my sincere appreciation to all members of the department for the able and willing way that the work has been carried out particularly in relation to housing letting matters.

I am Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

D. J. DAVIES

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

August, 1968.

HOUSING

The duties of the Council in dealing with unfit houses under the Housing Act, 1957, have been carried out when necessary. All premises were dealt with on an individual basis there being no large groups of properties suitable for clearance areas. In all 22 cottages were either closed, demolished or restored as follows :-

Properties Demolished

Nos. 1 and 2 The Ridings, Heath Lane, Crondall.
Nos. 4 and 5 Dipley Common, Hartley Wintney.

Properties Restored

No. 1 Jolly Farmer Cottages, Hartley Wintney.
Nos. 31 and 32 Odiham Road, Heckfield.
Chapel Cottage, Station Road, Hook.
Nos. 67 and 68 Hazeley Heath, Mattingley.

Written Undertakings

No. 21 The Borough, Crondall.
No. 1 Bridge Cottage, Eversley Street.
No. 67 London Road, Blackwater.
Cottage, Bogie Corner, Heckfield.
Nos. 1 and 2 Keepers Cottage, Riseley Wood, Heckfield.
Nos. 1 and 2 Lower Pitham Cottages, Heckfield.
No. 2 Riseley Mill Cottage, Heckfield.
Sun Lane Cottage, Norton Road, Riseley.
Nos. 1 and 2 The Beeches, Riseley Wood, Heckfield.

In addition to the above as a result of inspections a further four properties were down graded to Category 5 during the year. It will be seen from the table overleaf that 272 premises have been dealt with since August, 1955.

Improvement Procedure

Following the preliminary survey of 110 sub-standard houses in Hartley Wintney, a letter was sent to all tenants asking if they wished for improvements to be made. Only 29 were willing to agree and the Council decided against making an improvement area but to continue to seek the owners co-operation. Four immediate improvement notices were served on properties in Winchfield and one property was brought up to standard in Yateley as a result of notice.

SCHEDULE OF UNFIT HOUSES AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1967

| PARISH | Properties in Ministry Return AUGUST, 1955. | Down- graded 1955-67 | TOTAL | Demo- lished | Restored | Converted to other use. | Action Taken. (void) | Action Taken (occupied) | To be dealt with. | TOTAL |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Bramshill | - | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 2 |
| Crondall | 6 | 23 | 29 | 9 | 15 | - | 4 | - | 1 | 29 |
| Crookham | 1 | 10 | 11 | 7 | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | 11 |
| Dogmersfield | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Eversley | 3 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 3 | - | 2 | - | - | 9 |
| Greywell | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 2 |
| Hartley Wintney | 9 | 28 | 37 | 24 | 7 | - | 3 | - | 3 | 37 |
| Hawley | 10 | 15 | 25 | 17 | 2 | 3 | 2 | - | 1 | 25 |
| Heckfield | 2 | 26 | 28 | 2 | 3 | - | 15 | - | 8 | 28 |
| Hook | 9 | 6 | 15 | 9 | 3 | - | 1 | - | 2 | 15 |
| Long Sutton | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 3 |
| Mattingley | 5 | 12 | 17 | 3 | 11 | - | 2 | - | 1 | 17 |
| Odiham | 22 | 26 | 48 | 22 | 14 | - | 10 | - | 2 | 48 |
| Rotherwick | 6 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 4 | - | - | - | 1 | 9 |
| South Warnborough | 4 | - | 4 | 1 | 3 | - | - | - | - | 4 |
| Winchfield | 6 | 4 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | - | - | 10 |
| Yateley | 5 | 17 | 22 | 14 | 5 | - | 2 | - | 1 | 22 |
| TOTALS | 91 | 181 | 272 | 120 | 76 | 7 | 46 | - | 23 | 272 |

Council Housing - Letting

The department is responsible through the Allocation Sub-Committee for the letting of Council houses and the following statistics are supplied for information :-

Number of new applications accepted..... 174
Applications refused..... 21

The housing waiting list at 31st December, 1967, was as follows :-

| | |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Flats..... | 25 |
| Nil/one child..... | 216 |
| Two or more children..... | 114 |
| Easter Ross..... | 33 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 388 |
| | <hr/> |

The number of families re-housed during the year is shown in the following table. There were 14 new properties in Crondall and four in South Warnborough, the remainder being casual vacancies :-

| | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Crondall..... | 15 |
| Dogmersfield..... | 1 |
| Eversley..... | 1 |
| Hartley Wintney..... | 6 |
| Hawley..... | 1 |
| Hook..... | 8 |
| Long Sutton..... | 2 |
| Odiham..... | 5 |
| South Warnborough..... | 5 |
| Yateley..... | 8 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 52 |
| | <hr/> |

Rent Act, 1957

No applications were received during the year for certificates of disrepair.

Public Health Acts

The complaints received by the department under the broad heading of public health are many and varied. They range from general housing defects such as leaking roofs and dampness, to noise nuisances and drainage defects. One new type of nuisance which has become prevalent in certain parts of the district is the offensive odour emitted during the spraying of chicken and pig manure onto farm land. There is a general practice growing up of spraying liquid manure in fine droplet form onto grass land which although beneficial to the land does result in malodorous smells permeating into adjacent properties. No satisfactory answer has been found to this problem yet but experiments with chemical deodorants are proceeding.

The investigation of nuisances can be lengthy in time and always requires tact and understanding. Fortunately all complaints were dealt with on an informal basis and no legal action was required to abate any nuisances.

Drainage

The public sewer in Eversley Centre and Eversley Cross (Stage II) became operative on 6th February, 1968, and already a number of properties with cesspools and buckets have been connected to it. The provision of main drainage to the village of Rotherwick is included in the Council's proposals for Hook and North Warnborough improvements of the existing scheme. No detailed drainage reports were submitted to the Council during the year as there are no major problems in the district.

WATER SUPPLIES

The district is supplied with mains water by the Mid-Wessex Water Company and I am grateful to the Chief Engineer for the following report :-

"Water was supplied to the whole rural district by the Mid-Wessex Water Company from wells in the chalk at their works at Greywell, Itchel and Lasham.

"The supply was continuously laid on under pressure and was satisfactory as to quantity and quality. The water was softened at the sources before distribution so as to comply with the statutory limitation of hardness of 12° Clark and chlorination is applied at all sources.

"Chemical and bacteriological examinations of the raw and treated waters were regularly and frequently made by the Company's resident chemists and bacteriologists in their laboratory and independent examinations were also made by an independent laboratory. All samples were satisfactory.

"The waters do not have any plumbo-solvent action.

"No reliable information is available for this particular area of the population supplied, but the number of connections was approximately as follows :-

| <u>Parish</u> | <u>1967</u> |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Bramshill..... | 33 |
| Crandall/Crookham..... | 925 |
| Dogmersfield..... | 126 |
| Eversley..... | 443 |
| Greywell..... | 119 |
| Hartley Wintney (Elvetham Ward)..... | 32 |
| Hartley Wintney..... | 1,239 |
| Hawley..... | 2,173 |
| Heckfield..... | 52 |
| Hook..... | 871 |
| Long Sutton..... | 111 |
| Mattingley..... | 135 |
| Odiham..... | 1,024 |
| Rotherwick..... | 210 |
| South Warnborough..... | 115 |
| Winchfield..... | 130 |
| Yateley..... | 3,623 |

"No information is available as to the number of houses supplied by standpipes."

Independent Water Supplies

A few properties are served by wells and there is one private estate supply in the district. There was a breakdown in this supply during the year and the Mid-Wessex Water Company provided an emergency standby. Negotiations are proceeding to install a mains supply in this area. Samples are taken for bacteriological purposes on request or after routine inspections.

| <u>Parish</u> | <u>Satisfactory</u> | <u>Unsatisfactory</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Heckfield..... | 10 | 4 | 14 |
| Mattingley..... | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Eversley..... | 1 | - | 1 |
| Hawley..... | - | 2 | 2 |
| | <u>12</u> | <u>8</u> | <u>20</u> |

Extension of Mains

In conjunction with the Mid-Wessex Water Company and the owners concerned the mains supply was extended to the Sandy Lane area of Cove, Hawley. This resulted in a much improved supply to 71 caravans and five private houses.

CARAVANS

The total number of caravan sites used for permanent residential purposes remained at eight for the year. There was no increase in the size of the sites and the total number of vans provided for is 333. There is a good standard on these sites and regular inspections are made to ensure that the conditions of the licence issued by the Council are complied with. There was a tendency for new vans being used as permanent residences to be completely self-contained and include flush toilets and bathrooms. This type of caravan serves as a useful supplement to the permanent housing in the district particularly for the young married couple and some elderly retired people.

Easter Ross

This unlicensed caravan site was taken over by the Council five years ago when it became necessary to control the conditions for the 142 occupants of the vans. At the end of 1967 there were 38 occupied caravans on the land.

Individual Caravans

In addition to the larger sites there are 25 single caravans licensed for living accommodation. These are mainly used for specific purposes, e.g. in connection with agriculture. These caravans are also subject to standard conditions and routine visits are made. A licence automatically expires when planning consent ends.

Itinerant Caravan Dwellers

There was again unauthorised use of land by the 'gypsy' class of caravan dweller who concentrated their vans in Hartley Wintney Parish. In order to solve this problem a 'holding' camp has been constructed to assist 15 of these families indigenous to North Hampshire. The Council by this action become one of the few local authorities tackling this problem in a practical way.

List of Licensed Caravan Sites

| | |
|----------------------------------------------|------------|
| Oaklands Park, Frogmore, Yateley..... | 104 |
| (Mr. C. L. Phillips) | |
| Blackbushe Park, Dungells Lane, Yateley..... | 85 |
| (Laundspach Property Company) | |
| Martins, Sandy Lane, Cove..... | 38 |
| (Mr. C. A. J. Martin) | |
| Hill Corner Farm, Sandy Lane, Cove..... | 33 |
| (Mrs. E. A. E. Watson) | |
| Chilton Farm, Fleet Road, Cove..... | 30 |
| (Mr. R. W. Yeomans) | |
| Hook Common Post Office, Hook..... | 23 |
| (Mr. R. Cousins) | |
| Kingsbridge Meadows, School Road, Hook..... | 12 |
| (Mr. H. Buckland) | |
| Sheila's Cottage, Mill Lane, Yateley..... | 8 |
| (Mr. L. J. Young) | <u>333</u> |

FOOD PREMISES

As will be seen from the following table there are 238 food premises in the district. Routine visits are made and the general standard throughout the district is a good one. Most occupiers are aware that attractive well laid out premises are conducive to good business and there have been a number of improvements to existing shops during the year. Consultation with builders and shop fitters usually takes place in the case of new premises :-

| | <u>No. of Premises</u> | <u>Complying with Reg. 19</u> | <u>To which Reg. 19 Applies</u> | <u>Complying with Reg. 19</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Cafes and Restaurants.... | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| Hotels and Public Houses. | 63 | 63 | 63 | 63 |
| Off Licences..... | 5 | 5 | - | - |
| Butchers and Fishmongers. | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 |
| General Provisions..... | 53 | 53 | 53 | 53 |
| Greengrocers..... | 12 | 12 | 4 | 4 |
| Confectioners..... | 19 | 19 | - | - |
| Fish Friers..... | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Bakehouses..... | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Canteens..... | 38 | 38 | 38 | 38 |
| Ice Cream Manufacturers.. | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| | <u>238</u> | <u>238</u> | <u>205</u> | <u>205</u> |

Registered Premises

The Council is required to register premises where ice cream is manufactured or sold. These number 90 but in only one instance is ice cream manufactured on the premises. The remainder sell pre-wrapped ice cream manufactured by the larger firms outside the district.

In addition 23 premises are registered for the manufacture of sausages, cooking of hams etc.

Unsound Food

The inspection of foodstuffs on sale to the public was undertaken. Most unfit food is brought to the notice of the inspectors by shopkeepers themselves who are keenly aware of their responsibilities. The following unsound food was voluntarily surrendered to the department :-

| | | |
|------------------|--------------|-----|
| Fresh Meat..... | 103 | lbs |
| Bacon..... | 52 | lbs |
| Canned Meat..... | 103 | lbs |
| Fish..... | 823 | lbs |
| Shellfish..... | 156 | lbs |
| Chicken..... | 16 | lbs |
| | <u>1,253</u> | lbs |

Frozen Foodstuffs..... 187 packets.

Food Sampling

The sampling of food is carried out in this area by the Hampshire County Council as Food and Drugs Authority. I am indebted to the Chief Sampling Officer for the following report :-

"During the year which ended on 31st December, 1967, 342 samples were procured under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, within the area of the Hartley Wintney Rural District Council.

"Milk Samples

267 samples of milk, including 84 of "Channel Islands" were taken. Of these, 17 were below the required fat content but they were from individual churns of milk included in larger consignments and, the average fat content of the consignments being, in each case, satisfactory, no offences were involved.

"Miscellaneous Samples

75 samples of articles other than milk were obtained, three being the subject of consumer complaints. Of these 36 submitted for analysis were found to be satisfactory and 10 received adverse reports.

The adverse reports were in respect of :-

- (1) Seven samples of bread and butter or buttered toast in which the fat was reported to consist of margarine. Apart from one case, in which a genuine mistake seemed to have been made, legal proceedings were instituted and fines totalling £25, together with costs amounting to £32. 18s. 8d. were imposed.
- (2) A sample of pale ale, which caused a burning sensation in the mouth of the purchaser and caused him to suspect some acidic contamination. The article was submitted for analysis but no contamination could be identified chemically, although the beer did have an unusual flavour. In the circumstances, little more could be done but the brewery company concerned was made aware of the complaint.
- (3) A sample of bread which was found to be contaminated with insect web and frass. Legal proceedings were instituted and resulted in a fine of £20, together with £12. 4s. 0d. costs.
- (4) A sample of spiced pork which was found to contain less meat than the description of the product implied. The matter was referred to the manufacturer concerned.

"General

In addition to the samples taken under the Food and Drugs Act, the usual attention was given to the labels and descriptions of food and drugs under the provisions of the Labelling of Food Order and the Pharmacy and Medicines Act. There were no serious complaints regarding these matters."

Milk

The local authority is responsible for registering premises where milk is retailed and there are 27 in the district. There are no pasteurising plants in this area.

Meat Inspection

There is one licensed private slaughterhouse at Odiham and all meat was inspected during the year. The number of animals dealt with shows a reduction of 25 per cent compared with the previous year.

| | <u>Beasts</u> | <u>Calves</u> | <u>Sheep</u> | <u>Pigs</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Number Killed..... | 300 | 821 | 696 | 822 | 2,639 |
| Number Inspected..... | 300 | 821 | 696 | 822 | 2,639 |

All Diseases Except T.B. or C. Bovis

| | | | | | |
|--------------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| Whole Carcass..... | - | 4 | - | 4 | 8 |
| Part or Organ..... | 82 | 22 | 85 | 183 | 272 |

Tuberculosis

| | | | | | |
|--------------------|---|---|---|----|----|
| Whole Carcass..... | - | - | - | - | - |
| Part or Organ..... | - | - | - | 18 | 18 |

C. Bovis

| | | | | | |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| Whole Carcass..... | - | - | - | - | - |
| Part or Organ..... | 2 | - | - | - | 2 |

Incidence of disease in cattle excluding lungs and intestines and other organs not used for human consumption.. 25.66%

Tuberculosis Rate..... 0.683%

Overall Disease Rate..... 11.4%

Poultry Processing

There are no poultry slaughterhouses in the district.

Knackers Yard

The licensed premises at Hook were regularly inspected and were found to be well maintained, clean and the records were kept up to date. Animals dealt with are not used for human consumption and the following table shows the throughput :-

| | |
|-------------|-------|
| Horses..... | 47 |
| Cattle..... | 657 |
| Calves..... | 174 |
| Pigs..... | 83 |
| Sheep..... | 35 |
| Goats..... | 2 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 998 |
| | <hr/> |

FACTORIES

The Council is responsible for enforcing standards of sanitary accommodation in factories where mechanical power is used and for certain other matters in non-powered factories. Visits were made during the year but no contraventions were found. There are no registered outworkers in the district.

The following factories are in the district :-

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| (a) With mechanical power..... | 93 |
| (b) Non-powered factories..... | 5 |
| | — |
| | 98 |
| | == |

Offices and Shops

Occupiers of premises used for these purposes must register with the local authority if persons are employed for more than 21 hours a week. The following statistics are taken from the Council's annual return to the Ministry :-

| | <u>No. of registered premises</u> | <u>No. of persons employed</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Offices..... | 34 | 135 |
| Retail Shops..... | 116 | 423 |
| Wholesale shops, warehouses..... | 2 | 8 |
| Catering establishments open to the public, canteens..... | 32 | 169 |
| Fuel storage depots..... | 2 | 10 |
| | — | — |
| | 186 | 745 |
| | == | == |

RODENT CONTROL

During the year a total of 532 treatments were carried out for the destruction of rats and mice in the district. This includes 94 agricultural holdings and the remainder were either dwelling houses, local authority or business premises. The rodent control service is free to all domestic properties, the others being charged on a time and labour basis.

Contracts

The system of contracts, mainly with farmers and large establishments, was continued. Regular inspections are carried out each month and treatment is undertaken when necessary. An annual payment is made to the Council for this service by the owners and this amounted to £587 in 1967. The number of properties covered by the contract system was 65.

The rodent operator also dealt with 55 wasp nests.

REFUSE COLLECTION

The regular weekly collection of household refuse has been maintained throughout the year. Alternative collections for Bank Holidays have been provided and the occupiers of premises are notified each time by placing a leaflet on the dustbin. In addition a special service is given for the removal of bulky items free of charge. A total of 656 visits of this kind were made during the year an increase of 233 over the previous year. Householders in the district are appreciative of this extra service provided by the Council.

There are only 55 properties in the area which receive less than a weekly collection and these are mainly in isolated parts of the district. The Council considered the possible changeover from a "kerbside" system to a house to house service and a certain amount of work was done to investigate the best method. It was finally proposed to introduce the 'paper bag' system, one of the main reasons being a question of manpower. However although it was agreed in principle to implement gradually this method beginning the 1st April, 1968, due to the economic situation at the end of 1967 the introduction of this scheme did not materialise. It is, however, to be hoped that further consideration can be given to this and a bonus incentive scheme before too long.

Labour

The number of men employed on this service was 29, and there was a turnover of 14 employees during the year. This is much higher than in any previous year and emphasises the difficulty of obtaining the right man for this type of work. I am certain that without the nucleus of conscientious workmen who have been with the Council some years it would not be possible to keep the regular collections going. It will be important to ensure that any future bonus scheme will be commensurate with alternative employment.

During the year an extra duty bonus was paid to all crews who completed their work although short of manpower. This only applied initially for sickness or vacancies, but has since been amended to include the holiday period as well. This has removed any unfairness that the remaining members of the crew may have felt for carrying out extra work without reward. In addition to the protective clothing issued by the Council it was also agreed to provide fluorescent belts for additional safety whilst working on busy roads.

Vehicles

The Council operate seven modern refuse collection machines. A new 35 cubic yard Pakamatic was delivered on 23rd November, 1967. The vehicles travelled 51,856 miles, an increase of 13.9 per cent over the previous year. There was a 13 per cent increase in the amount of refuse collected bringing the total to 67,892 cubic yards. The new braking regulations which come into force on 1st January, 1972, will effect the three Fore and Aft Tippers and it will be necessary to replace these during the next four years.

Disposal

All refuse, domestic and trade, collected in the district was disposed of at the controlled tip on Hazeley Heath. A new four-wheeled drive Bray 540 was purchased on 6th April, 1967, and two men are employed permanently on the tip. Additional land was secured for tipping purposes and it is anticipated that this will be enough for the next seven years. A working party has been set up to study refuse disposal problems in North Hampshire and the adjoining part of Surrey and to plan future arrangements for the area.

Salvage

The Council's salvage scheme continued to operate and the total income was £5,773. 9s. 10d. This was approximately £100 less than the previous year due to a reduction in price of 15/0d a ton for wastepaper and 5/0d a ton for fibreboard.

The men were paid a bonus of 18s. 8d. a week on salvage sales and this, together with the overtime paid for baling provides some additional income for the general scavengers. There is no doubt that this bonus helps to retain labour for this type of work.

Litter

There are now just over 100 litter baskets throughout the district. These are emptied by the refuse collectors on their normal daily routes. In addition paper sacks are supplied to the lay-bys on the A 30 and removed twice a week during the summer. Street sweeping is also carried out in Odiham and Hartley Wintney High Streets to keep the litter nuisance to a minimum. The County Council undertake the sweeping of certain sections of roads in Crondall, Hook, Blackwater and Yateley each week as well as providing mechanical sweepers for the remainder of the district.

WET SCAVENGING

Cesspools

The cesspool emptying service continued to expand during the year and there are record cards for 1,647 premises in the district. An increase of 436 jobs was recorded and some 58 cesspools were emptied for the first time. The Council provide two free emptyings a year, one in each six months, and the charge for other emptyings is 10/0d for the first load and 5/0d for each subsequent load. The economic charge per load was 20/3d so there is a substantial rate subsidy on this scheme. Properties within the sewered areas who could connect to main drainage but have not done so are charged 30/0d per load. The disposal of cesspool contents is still unsatisfactory and until the scheme for Hartley Wintney Sewage Works is complete this will continue to be so. The vehicles travelled an extra 4,430 miles primarily for disposal purposes.

Buckets

A bucket emptying service is provided to certain properties in the district and by the end of the year these numbered 92. This is a reduction of 17 for the district and every encouragement is given to owners to install water closets in their premises. The completion of Eversley Stage II main drainage should ensure a substantial reduction in bucket closets during the current year in that parish.

TABLE 1

| (A) <u>GENERAL SCAVENGING</u> - All vehicles Shelvoke and Drewry. | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------|
| <u>Vehicles</u> | <u>Capacity</u> | <u>Purchased</u> | |
| Fore and Aft Tipper..... | 18 c.yds | 31. | 3.56 |
| Fore and Aft Tipper..... | 18 c.yds | 22. | 11.59 |
| Fore and Aft Tipper..... | 18 c.yds | 21. | 2.62 |
| Pakamatic..... | 35 c.yds | 27. | 5.63 |
| Pakamatic..... | 35 c.yds | 30. | 8.65 |
| Pakamatic..... | 35 c.yds | 1. | 6.66 |
| Pakamatic..... | 35 c.yds | 1. | 12.67 |

| (B) <u>WET SCAVENGING</u> | | | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <u>Tankers</u> | <u>Purchased</u> | <u>Mileage</u> | | | |
| | | <u>1964/65</u> | <u>1965/66</u> | <u>1966/67</u> | <u>1967/68</u> |
| No. 1 Dennis (1500) | 12.12.66. | - | - | 4,893 | 15,791 |
| No. 3 Dennis (1500) | 4. 4.64. | 4,955 | 8,292 | 14,354 | 12,418 |
| No. 4 S & D (1100) | 1. 4.57. | 9,348 | 10,693 | 12,898 | 12,791 |
| Other vehicles used | | 16,478 | 13,830 | 4,425 | - |
| | | <u>30,781</u> | <u>32,815</u> | <u>36,570</u> | <u>41,000</u> |

Increase in mileage of these vehicles caused by long hauls to tipping area. (increased mileage 4,430)

TABLE 2

| <u>COLLECTION STATISTICS</u> | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| <u>1967 - 1968</u> | <u>Refuse</u> | <u>Diesel</u> | <u>Mileage</u> |
| | <u>c.yds.</u> | | |
| <u>1967</u> | | | |
| April..... | 5,107 | 569 | 3,793 |
| May..... | 5,748 | 546 | 4,487 |
| June..... | 5,471 | 540 | 4,418 |
| July..... | 5,403 | 530 | 4,348 |
| August..... | 5,858 | 532 | 4,554 |
| September..... | 5,362 | 469 | 4,031 |
| October..... | 5,760 | 542 | 4,292 |
| November..... | 5,633 | 562 | 4,430 |
| December..... | 5,627 | 588 | 4,116 |
| <u>1968</u> | | | |
| January..... | 6,420 | 670 | 4,677 |
| February..... | 5,698 | 632 | 4,274 |
| March..... | 5,805 | 666 | 4,436 |
| | <u>67,892</u> | <u>6,846</u> | <u>51,856</u> |

TABLE 3

| (A) <u>SALVAGE SALES - 1967-1968</u> Tons cwts. qrs. lbs. | | | | | £. s. d. | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------------|----------|-----------|
| Waste Paper..... | 554 | 18 | 3 | 25 | 4,861 | 15 | 3 |
| Iron and Non Ferrous..... | 35 | 11 | 2 | 13 | 465 | 0 | 11 |
| Textiles..... | 21 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 446 | 13 | 8 |
| | <u>612</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>5,773</u> | <u>9</u> | <u>10</u> |
| Plus income from collector operating on tip. | | | | | | | |
| (B) <u>CORRESPONDING FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS YEARS</u> | | | | | | | |
| <u>Year Ending</u> | <u>Tons cwts. qrs. lbs.</u> | | | | <u>£. s. d.</u> | | |
| 31st March, 1964..... | 493 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 4,337 | 13 | 4 |
| 31st March, 1965..... | 566 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 5,454 | 1 | 0 |
| 31st March, 1966..... | 637 | 18 | 2 | 24 | 6,396 | 17 | 11 |
| 31st March, 1967..... | 589 | 13 | 2 | 11 | 5,889 | 16 | 7 |
| Total Salvage Bonus..... | | | | | £1,443 | 7. | 11. |
| Yearly average per man..... | | | | | £ 48 | 10. | 9. |
| Weekly average per man..... | | | | | £ 18. | 8. | |
| Extra duty payments commenced 25th July, 1967 - A total of £383. 0s. Od. has been paid to the refuse collectors. | | | | | | | |

TABLE 4

| <u>CESSPOOL STATISTICS</u> | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <u>Year Ending 31st March</u> | <u>1963</u> | <u>1964</u> | <u>1965</u> | <u>1966</u> | <u>1967</u> | <u>1968</u> |
| Number of Jobs..... | 2,275 | 2,783 | 3,037 | 3,230 | 3,325 | 3,759 |
| Number of loads..... | 5,211 | 7,083 | 7,582 | 7,864 | 8,080 | 9,556 |
| An increase of 434 jobs and 476 loads. | | | | | | |
| Total approximate content disposed of 6,889,200 gallons. | | | | | | |
| Income from Wet Scavenging £2,422. 13s. Od. | | | | | | |

TABLE 5

| <u>BONUS ON WET SCAVENGING</u> | | | |
|----------------------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------|
| Paid on Cesspool Emptying..... | £398 | 3. | 3. |
| Buckets..... | £ 72 | 16. | 0. |
| | <u>£470</u> | <u>19.</u> | <u>3.</u> |
| <u>Average bonus per week per man</u> | <u>£.</u> | <u>s.</u> | <u>d.</u> |
| Cesspools and Buckets No. 1 Tanker...1 | 17 | 4 | |
| Cesspools only No. 3 Tanker.....1 | 6 | 5 | |
| Cesspools and buckets No. 4 Tanker...1 | 9 | 3 | |

TABLE 6

CESSPOOLS WHICH ARE ON THE COUNCIL'S REGISTER

| | <u>IN SEWERED AREA</u> <u>Could</u> <u>Connect</u> | <u>Over</u> <u>100'</u> | <u>OUTSIDE</u> <u>Sewered</u> <u>Area</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>First</u> <u>Emptying</u> | <u>Buckets</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Bramshill..... | - | - | 25 | 25 | - | - |
| Crondall/Ewshot... | 13 | 1 | 192 | 206 | 15 | 25 |
| Crookham..... | 2 | - | 38 | 40 | 2 | - |
| Dogmersfield..... | - | - | 70 | 70 | 2 | - |
| Eversley..... | 14 | 6 | 143 | 163 | 2 | 22 |
| Greywell..... | 4 | 1 | 6 | 11 | - | - |
| Hartley Wintney... | - | 7 | 120 | 127 | 2 | 11 |
| Hawley..... | 25 | 3 | 91 | 119 | 1 | - |
| Heckfield..... | - | - | 55 | 55 | 3 | - |
| Hook..... | 6 | 6 | 59 | 71 | 1 | 7 |
| Long Sutton..... | - | - | 65 | 65 | 2 | - |
| Mattingley..... | - | - | 131 | 131 | 6 | 2 |
| Odiham..... | - | 2 | 140 | 142 | 8 | 16 |
| Rotherwick..... | - | - | 102 | 102 | 1 | 6 |
| South Warnborough. | - | - | 80 | 80 | 4 | - |
| Winchfield..... | - | - | 73 | 73 | 7 | 1 |
| Yateley..... | 77 | 29 | 61 | 167 | 2 | 2 |
| | <u>141</u> | <u>55</u> | <u>1,451</u> | <u>1,647</u> | <u>58</u> | <u>92</u> |

All S. D. Works have frequent visits.

